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## NEWS TOPICS OF A WEEK

### IMPORTANT EVENTS IN FEW WORDS FOR BUSY READERS.

**Record of the Day World's Happenings**  
Carefully compiled and put into handy shape for the readers of our paper.

### ACCIDENTS.

Two persons were killed and seventeen injured in a railway wreck near Jersey City the other day.

The number of deaths from the influenza is now 29 and fully 12 others are expected to die.

Fireman Isaac Scott and Brakeman Houk, of Connelville, Pa., were killed in a collision on the B. & O. west of Ellerslie, Pa. Other train hands were badly hurt.

A large freight load of people belonging to Pawtucket, R. I., was struck by a locomotive on the Providence & Worcester railroad. Eight persons were instantly killed and sixteen injured, about ten fatally.

### PERSONALS.

Peter Jackson, the colored pugilist, is the latest agent for the stage.

The Infanta Isabella, of Spain, will not open the Chicago World's Fair as expected.

It is stated in London that Prince George of Wales will marry Princess May of Teck, during the second week of April.

It is reported in Vienna that the Car will assume the title of Emperor of Asia as an offset to Queen Victoria's title of Empress of India.

Mr. Sol. White, M. P., proclaimed his loyalty to Britain during the visit of the Governor-General to Windsor, and now the annexation gang have bonned him.

J. G. Gaudaur, the Orilla sculler, has issued a challenge to row any man for the championship of America and a stake of \$1,000 or \$2,000 a side.

John Spaulding, a millionaire bachelor living at the "Island" states hotel, Boston, has just given eight servant girls employed in that hotel \$10,000.

### CASUALTIES.

William Mulligan, a farmer of West-Island, recently committed suicide.

Six persons in East Liverpool, Ohio, were poisoned by eating diseased mutton.

Stephen Neilson, a sailor, when informed in New York that his wife was starving in Germany, blew out his brains.

Three men were killed and two others injured at Naphtones, Ind., by the explosion of the water works boiler.

One man was killed and four fearfully injured by an explosion of giant powder at Richmond, near Ogden, Utah.

Enoch Boyes, an old and highly esteemed settler of St. Vincent, was thrown recently from his sleigh, run over and killed.

By the breaking of a scaffold on a new building in Chicago, eight men were precipitated to the ground 50 feet below.

Frank Ward and Julius Emery were fatally hurt.

Herbert M. Hayden, chief clerk in the auditor office of the Chicago & North-western railroad, and formerly a well-known steamship captain, was knocked down by a wagon in Chicago and killed.

Jacob Huber's 9-year-old daughter, of Waterloo, Ont., took a self-cocking revolver from a drawer, and pointing it at her 7-year-old brother, said, "I am going to shoot." The revolver dis-charged and the bullet entered the boy's abdomen. He died.

### POLITICAL.

The protest against the election of Mr. John Bryson, M. P. for Pontiac, has been dismissed.

The Australian parliament by a vote of 45 to 42 declared its want of confidence in the government.

The State Supreme Court of Illinois has rendered a decision that a woman can vote at school elections.

Socialists and other agitators in France are already preparing to make extensive demonstrations on May day.

The comptroller of New York state announces that the state is practically out of debt, with \$3,448,000 in the treasury.

At the Woman's Suffrage convention in Washington, Susan B. Anthony was elected president and Rev. Anna Shaw vice-president at large.

Despite the remonstrance of the German government, the budget commission of the reichstag has reduced the naval budget by 1,140,000 marks.

### SCOURGES.

Six cases of cholera have been reported at Buda Pesth.

Three new cases of typhus fever have developed in New York.

Dr. Galling, the inventor of the Galling gun, has perfected a device for applying electricity to dog arms.

The sanitary council of Hungary states that only a few sporadic cases of cholera have been reported in that country.

Several schools in the northern part of Peterborough county are closed on account of a severe epidemic of diphtheria.

## THE DEAD.

Baroness Oswald is dead.  
Charles Ludlow, of Copenhagen, is dead.

Mrs. John Gaynor, of Henfryn, Ont., is dead.

Lord Elphinstone died in Musselburgh, Scotland.

William Frederick Campbell (Baron Stratheden and Campbell) is dead: aged 88.

Mr. C. E. Maie, of Oshawa, a pioneer of Oddfellowship in Canada, is dead, aged 88.

David Cummings, an old resident of London, is dead. He was born in Dundas, Ont., 28 years ago.

Father Jones, adjutant-general of the Society of Jesus, died at Loyola, Biscay province, Spain.

A dispatch from Zanzibar says that Capt. Nelson, who was with Stanley in Africa, died recently at Kikuyu, East Africa.

Julius Eichberg, director of the Boston conservatory of music, which he founded in 1867, and one of the greatest violin teachers in America, died last week aged 69.

The Right Hon. Sir Walter Bartlett, M. P. for Horsham, Sussex, Eng., is dead, aged 52.

The Hon. John P. Townsend, judge of the Irish high court of admiralty, Dublin, is dead.

Isaac Robinson, proprietor of the Robinson House, at Big Bay Point, Ont., is dead, aged 84.

John Ross is dead in Colorado. He was a resident of Oxford county for many years and served under Col. Sir Allan McNabb during the Mackenzie rebellion. He was aged 70.

## CRIME AND CRIMINALS.

William Mulligan, a farmer living near St. Thomas, tried to kill his sister and failed, but he killed himself by shooting.

Arthur Black, a teacher, killed his wife and son and committed suicide at Dover, a suburb of Brighton, England, the other night.

A dispatch from Guatemala says, the British legation there has been mobbed and the British Minister's son so seriously beaten that he may die.

Ogilvie Crepeaud, L. E. D., a clever lawyer in Montreal, is said to have been doing a profitable business by cleaning old law stamps and selling them as new.

A baby farm, kept by a negro, and his wife, who have nursed 50 children during the past eighteen years, have been discovered on the outskirts of Hamilton.

In the celebrated graveyard insurance case at St. John, N. B., C. B. Weston and Dr. E. C. Handall were sentenced to five years each in Dorchester penitentiary.

In the United States district court at Albany, N. Y., the grand jury presented an indictment against Dr. John A. Board for smuggling valuable drugs from Canada. This is the celebrated placentine case.

George A. Booth, T. Tierney and Harry Young are under arrest at Trenton, charged with setting fire to the Taylor block in that town on November 30. They will be tried at the Belleville assizes on March 4.

At Athens, Ala., Count Von Boeckmar, an exiled German, shot and killed Samuel Daniels whom he charged with unlawful persecution. Daniels shot first and missed, then was killed. The count is a Jew.

Daniel Coughlin, one of the men sent to Joliet penitentiary in connection with the murder of Dr. Cronin in Chicago, is to have a new trial. Coughlin protests his innocence and is joyful, as he says he will be a free man if he gets a fair trial.

## THE FIRE RECORD.

The Essex public school building and furniture, valued at \$11,000, have been destroyed by fire.

Miss Elizabeth Coats, of Philadelphia, was buried to death from her clothes taking fire, and her 3-year-old son, who was in the room, was badly burned.

The Englewood works have been burned. Loss, \$50,000; insurance partial.

A building, occupied by Pringle & Clunes, hardware merchants in Guelph, Ontario, has been burned. The loss on the building is \$3,000, with insurance of \$4,000, and on the stock \$10,000 with insurance of \$8,000.

An elevator owned by W. D. MacLeod, with fifteen thousand bushels of grain was burned recently at Alexandria, Ont. Insurance, \$5,000.

Mrs. Weedliffe's fancy goods store, London, Ont., was burned recently. Loss \$7,000; insurance light.

The Pacific hotel, owned by Capt. James Day and lately occupied by Maurice Joy, was burned at London, Ont. Loss, \$2,500; insured.

The house of Oliver Pattie, Bellaire, Mich., was burned to the ground a few days ago. Three children were smothered to death in the burning.

## THE LABOR WORLD.

There are over 1,200 unemployed workmen in Quebec city.

The unemployed workmen of Brussels threaten serious disturbances.

The cost of the Homestead riot to the state of Pennsylvania was \$44,375.

The British cabinet has decided to create a labor department in connection with the board of trade.

Ben Tillet, the English labor leader, has been committed for trial at Bristol on the charge of inciting to riot.

Dempsy, one of the men indicted in the poisoning case at "Homesend", Pa., has been found guilty as indicted.

All the coal miners in the Echo, McHenry, Taylor and Williams mines at Central City, Ky., have struck for an advance in wages. The mines are now idle.

## RELIGIOUS.

Rev. M. J. McNeill, parish priest of Sorel, Que., has been made a bishop.

The case of Dr. Briggs is to be appealed direct to the General Assembly.

The degree making Mr. Stollfiel paid delegate to the United States is officially stated to be purely ecclesiastic in character.

Commandant Booth of the Salvation Army, is in Montreal arranging to convert the old Joe Beef canteen on the water front into a shelter for the poor.

Rev. Leroy Hooker, formerly of the Metropolitan church, Toronto, is said to have been received into the presbytery of Chicago, and will take charge of the Fifth Presbyterian church there.

According to a bulletin issued by the Protestant Episcopal church in the United States. The churches with their furnishings are valued at \$81,066,317.

An important conference took place between the members of the Toronto Ministerial association and the members of the Clerical (Anglican) association on the subject of the union of the various denominations in Canada.

Delivered by Rev. Provost, Body, Principal Caven, Dr. Langtry and Dr. Grant.

## SOCIAL.

The report of the reconciliation of ex-King Milan and Queen Natalie of Serbia is officially confirmed.

Oscar C. Base, formerly connected with the press of Montreal, and Miss Georgina Metcalf, sister-in-law of City Editor Gibbons of the Colonial, were married on Friday at Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Heck, of Cole Harbor, Halifax county, N. S., have just celebrated their sixtieth anniversary of their wedding. Herbert Wiswell, who was present at the wedding, was also present 61 years later.

## IN GENERAL.

The lease of the London & Port Stanley wharf to Cleveland capitalists has been finally closed.

The patent covering the Blake transmitter, in connection with the Bell Telephone company has expired.

The cold throughout Europe continues.

Teams are crossing the Mississippi on the ice at St. Louis.

An ice field 40 miles wide and 200 miles long extends from the mouth of the Danube to the north-eastern coast of Crimea.

St. Thomas and Port Stanley people are moving in the matter of having the harbor of the latter port enlarged as to give 10 feet of water at the wharf.

## THE WIFE'S STRIKE.

How Mary Adopted Her Husband's Tactics and the Result Thereof.

The walking deadlock never tired of talking of the strike. He held that it was justifiable if ever a strike was, and he was prepared to demonstrate that it was perfectly proper to strike to secure any desired result. He so told his wife, and she seemed to agree with him. It seemed to her to be the easiest way of enforcing a demand.

And that night when he came home he found that the table was not set for that dress for a month," he said, "but how about supper?"

"There isn't any," she said. "This is a strike."

"Yes, a general tie-up. I've been trying to secure a peaceful settlement of this trouble for some time, but now I mean to enforce my rights."

"Oh, don't talk to me that way! If I can't get you to arbitrate, why, I've got to strike. I don't care if it does block the wheels of trade."

"But, Mary, you don't understand. Oh, yes, I do. I've made my demands and they have been refused. I've asked for arbitration with a view to compromise, and that has also been refused. A strike is all there is left."

"But your demands are unreasonable. I don't think they are."

"You're no judge."

"You're the judge of your own demands when you strike, and I'm just as good a judge as you are when I want something. It's no use talking. This strike is on."

She folded her arms in a determined way, and he subsided. It was, perhaps, half an hour later when he looked up and said:

"It is still on," she replied.

"Are't you hungry?"

"No, I saw that I had something in the treasury before the strike was ordered."

"Meaning the pantry?" he asked.

"I believe I'll get a bite," he said.

"It's locked," she replied. "The reserve is to be used simply to keep the strike going. You can't touch the strike's resources."

"Be careful, Mary," he said, warningly. "If I shut off the food, you'll starve."

She laughed and nodded towards the pantry.

"Stick it out a week," she returned.

Five or ten minutes later he proposed that they compromise on the basis of a "half strike."

"Twenty," she replied, firmly.

"But that means ruin," he protested.

"That's your business," she answered. "I offered to arbitrate once. It was ten o'clock that night when he finally gave in and somehow he felt that he had experienced a new phase of the strike business. It looked like the end of the strike, and he was shipped from Arden by Mr. Dickson.

## WESTERN WORLD.

### MANITOBA MATTERS-NORTHWEST NUGGETS-COLUMBIA CRUMBS.

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### WINNIPEG.

A dappled little man I met  
As I went up and down  
He smiles to all the ladies  
For no one has a frown  
In society he is a favorite  
He is laughing all the way  
Kind words, sweet smiles, his motto  
The object being to please.

The Winnipeg three Chabre coaching their voices to good tone, and tune for their series of concerts to come out on the 23rd and 24th inst. Judging from the assiduity with which they are pursuing their course they will be in perfect trim by that time.

A league of Free Traders is being formed in the city which will embrace all Free Traders irrespective of political or other subjects.

Lovers of music have another rare treat in store for them in connection with Holy Trinity. The practice of Rossini's "Salut Mater" has commenced, and the indications point to splendid performances, after the necessary preparation.

The assessment committee of the city fathers think themselves united from the very composition of their body to wit and amaze into the questions at issue between ex-mayor McDonald and city assessor Harris, and as a consequence suggest the appointment of a local tribunal to sit and hear the evidence and deliver judgment in the case. Some local mathematicians have been figuring upon the sum total and difference between a civil and legal body, and one expert has arrived at the conclusion that both are equal to "x" and that "x" equals an unknown quantity.

They say there is luck in odd numbers. If so Winnipeg is in luck this time, as she stands third in value of post office business for the last year. The order and amount of revenue is as follows according to the report of the auditor-general:

Toronto	\$74,771.72
Montreal	\$53,564.67
Winnipeg	\$33,003.67
Hamilton	\$12,247.67
Ottawa	\$10,247.67
London	\$9,247.67
Victoria	\$8,247.67
St. John	\$7,247.67
Kingston	\$6,247.67
Windsor	\$5,247.67
Brantford	\$4,247.67

Mr. W. A. Macdonald, of Brandon, has been appointed leader of the opposition in our local parliament and Dr. McFadden, of Emerson, whip of the party.

The Ladies Aid society held a reception in All Saints schoolroom, on Thursday, to give an opportunity to the parishioners to become acquainted with their new minister, the Rev. S. H. Baker.

The executive committee of the prohibition league of Manitoba are to hold a convention in St. Andrews church, Winnipeg, on 23rd and 24th inst., and extend a cordial invitation to all sympathizers to be present.

The bachelor's hall in the Manitoba hotel on Friday night last was a great success, as every one anticipated, and fully sustained the reputation of these "old fellows" in the eyes of the fair sex for their philanthropy and hospitality.

PORTAGE DU RAY.  
J. M. Savage, Esq., mayor of this town, left on Saturday evening last for a trip east.

On Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Hall, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Cameron, Norman, left for Ottawa and Vankleek Hill, Ont., respectively.

Messrs. Charles Sterling and Barnes will skip the rink that represents Portage Curling club at the bonspiel in Winnipeg during the coming week.

Mr. George M. Mitchell is convalescent, after an apparently serious attack of inflammation of the lungs.

The Young People's carnival on Friday evening at the Princess rink was a decided success. The costumes were gorgeous and the prizes magnificent.

Colonel Jeff Hiedrich, our genial milking man, was aroused from his peaceful slumber on Thursday night of last week, by the audacious appearance of a spectral like burglar, who rammed the room at the sudden awakening of the Colonel, and flew his first volley, which he never more queried his mission, when he responded that his hands were cold, and that he was thinking that the Colonel had just retired, might find some warmth in the pockets of his trousers. True, he did; but he decamped immediately after the repairs with only \$3.15. It is presumed that, either by force of habit or an unintentional breach of the laws of etiquette regarding informants, he didn't leave his card.

The C. E. of Rat Portage held a very enjoyable social in Garfield hall on Thursday evening. Games, speeches, and songs constituted the indulgence of the evening.

Mr. C. McDougall, who has been manager for Morrisette and Lethbridge, Norman, left on Tuesday morning for Victoria, B. C., where he joins his brother in his healing expedition to the Behring sea. Mr. McDougall was exceedingly popular here, and his presence will be greatly missed in social circles while he is away.

Mr. Hugh McMillan, an old and respected citizen of Rat Portage, crossed death's dark river on Saturday of last week. His funeral occurred on Monday following, when the remains were followed to the grave by a large concourse of friends and relatives.

Mr. Copeland, Provincial Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for Manitoba, spent a few days here last week.

Mr. R. Aikin, the proprietor of Kee-wah skating rink, gave a fancy dress carnival on Thursday last. The prize was awarded to the one wearing the most comical title.

Mr. J. Bryson, who has been in the employ of McKay Co. has severed his connection with that firm, and leaves next week for St. Paul.

Mr. M. Brown, of the firm of Ross, Hall and Brown, lumbermen, spent the former part of the week in Winnipeg.

Several of the ward schools were closed for a few days last week, owing to the severity of the weather.

A very very pleasant evening on Friday was indulged in at Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Selars, Kewatin, when they opened their house to let "the sound of revelry" pervade its precincts as the "beauty and the chivalry" of the triune city "chased the glowing hours with flying feet, till joy was unconfined and sleep was left for morn."

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.  
Mr. W. A. Matheson is in town.

Mrs. W. W. Miller has returned from Brandon when she was the guest of Mrs. John W. Fleming.

Mrs. Sheriff McLean will give a dancing party on Friday night next in honor of her sister, Miss Staveland, of Winnipeg.

Our hockey club defeated on Saturday night, the Winnipeg exchange team by a score of 5 to 2. The truth of the matter was that the local boys could play all around the visitors.

The Masonic hall will take place here to-night and it is no doubt will be the social event of the season and the open house will contain all the fashionable people of the town and many from Winnipeg and other outside points.

"Yesterday Mr. J. Macnulty, our popular merchant, received a telegram from Northfield, B. C., announcing the sudden death of his brother Angus, who carried on a tailoring business at that point. The deceased was well known here and the many friends of the sorrow stricken family extended their sympathy.

Miss Nellie McDonald gave a fashionable dancing party at her home on Friday night last. The company enjoyed thorough hospitality. Among those present we noticed the Misses Strevell, Hunter, Hultberg, Gunne, Fox, Mawhinney and others, and Messrs. Gilles, Morgan, Crisp, Robinson and others.

Miss Jessie Howison gave a lecture last night in Knox church, on "Robert Burns," which proved interesting to the audience. Mrs. George McIvor sang two Scotch songs which called forth much applause. This lady no doubt is the Scottish vocalist of the province as she possesses an unusually simple manner and sweetness of tone."

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## ASPHYXIA

"Asphyxiated by coal gas." This was the verdict brought in by the jury last Thursday, in an inquest held to enquire into the cause of death of a lad, Walter Gordon, who was found dead in bed on the morning before. To many it seems strange that the victim was the only one who succumbed to the fatal fumes of coal gas which filled the room in which he, his brother and his mother slept. Certain it is that the deadly gas strongly affected those who escaped, as will be seen in our report of their evidence, given at the inquest. A deadly stupor must have overcome them, as from an early hour on Monday night till the following Wednesday morning, they slept on, and when at last they awoke from their death like sleep, it was difficult to persuade them that more than thirty-four hours had passed since they were last awake. But this is not the only instance where half-breath escapes have come before our notice from the effects of coal gas. Some time ago, our Virden correspondent reported that a case occurred in a family in that town, when all the householders came near to losing their lives, and had it not been for one awaking in time to let in the pure air, a feat which he accomplished with the greatest difficulty—all might have shared the fate of the lad who died here on Wednesday—and slept the sleep that knows no waking. Three more narrow escapes have been reported to be during the last two months, and within the last three days a sixth has occurred. Of this latter—in the house of Mr. Bagg— a report appears in another column. Surely with these startling facts in the face, more care and watchfulness for the prevention of their recurrence should be observed in the future. In all cases, as we understand, the cause was the same, and the result has only differed in a matter of degree. In cold weather the inmates of a house, dreading the bitter night, and hoping to keep the temperature up to a certain point, fill the stove with coal the last thing at night, and then, either with the intention of keeping the fire alight till morning, or else with a very natural dread of burning chimneys in the hours at night, they close off all draughts and dampers, and "turn in" to bed, feeling comparatively secure. The cases that we have just cited show clearly that there is as much danger from asphyxiation as there is from fire, from such sources. But there is no reason why either should be encountered. Every one knows that when fresh fuel is heaped upon a bed of hot coals, gas is certain to be emitted, and a very little care and observation will teach the owner of a stove to what extent it is necessary to open the damper in a stove pipe in order to carry off the superfluous gas before it becomes ignited. To close up the damper entirely is an act of foolhardiness from which many have suffered, and it were better to have a cold house to sleep in in the morning, than to have to fly to doctors and to windows to let in a little breathing air, even if so worse fate befalls them than that.

## MORTGAGING GROWING CROPS

At the last meeting of the Winnipeg Board of Trade held in January, the question of chattel mortgages was discussed. In the report of the committee appointed to inquire into the general question of chattel mortgages, and those as they exist in Manitoba, the following decision of interest to many farmers in this country was arrived at: "That no chattel mortgage shall be an intended or growing crop, except for seed grain, and no growing crop shall be liable to seizure or sale under execution." The mortgaging of growing crops, and even crops before they are sown

is at present allowable by law, which, it is claimed, results in injury to both the individual and the country in general. For the purpose of securing payment for seed grain, the Board of Trade does not object to the mortgage of the crop, but for all other debts it records a protest. The latter part of the clause referred to, is intended as a protection to the farmer, who otherwise might have a forced sale of a growing crop, which would result in a heavy loss to him. If the crop could not be sold until the same is cut and ready for the market, it would be sold at market value, and the farmer would receive a fair price. But were the seizure to take place at a time prior to this, it is rightly supposed that the grain would fetch only a nominal price, and the whole of a crop might thus be forfeited to satisfy a debt only amounting to a small percentage of the actual value of the crop to the grower.

## OCCASIONAL NOTES FROM THE BRITISH HOUSE OF COMMONS.

In the House of Commons on Friday, Arthur J. Balfour, leader of the Unionists, spoke at length in favour of extending the debate on the address. He reminded the House that when the Conservatives were in office the Liberals had insisted on long debates on the address. Mr. Gladstone objected to the motion in which the extension of the debate had been introduced without previous notice. Mr. Balfour replied with spirit that he had not only given notice, but also had debated the question last evening, when the right hon. gentleman opposite was obviously occupied. This sure had an unexpected effect on the House. The Liberal and Irish members answered with cries of "shame" and "jeais" which completely drowned the opposition. Mr. Balfour passed until the confusion subsided, and then he added that he assumed the right hon. gentleman had been made acquainted with the circumstances of the debate through his colleague (Sir William Harcourt). If the House was to be led by two gentlemen who never communicated with each other, the proceedings would necessarily be conducted with consider-able difficulty. (Cries of "oh," "oh," and "shame.") When Mr. Gladstone rose to answer Mr. Balfour he was trembling with indignation. In a voice shaken with anger he thundered out: "With due regard to circumstances and time, I have endeavored to serve the House to the best of my ability. (Loud and prolonged cheers.) The right hon. member for East Manchester would have shown better taste, would have better fulfilled the duties of the post which he occupied if he had spared the reference to my agreeable occupation." Repeated cheers followed. Mr. Gladstone's words and the enthusiasm of the demonstration Mr. Balfour arose to speak. He began three times before his voice could be heard. Before he had spoken a dozen audible words the Irish members drowned his voice again with shouts and yells of "oh," "oh," "courage" and "withdraw." After several minutes of this bedlam, Thomas O'Connor, anti-Parnellite for the Scotland division of Liverpool, rose, apparently to make a point of order. Mr. Balfour yielded to him the floor, and the disorder abated. Mr. O'Connor asked whether or not any question was before the House, and the speaker replied that he understood Mr. Balfour wished to explain. Amid renewed confusion, Mr. Balfour made himself heard sufficiently to inform the House that he had not intended to hurt the feelings of the prime minister; in fact, that this right honourable gentleman was the last person in the House whom he would willingly offend. This apology was received on all sides with prolonged cheers, which turned to laughter as Mr. Balfour added that the "right hon. member" to whom more agreeable occupation he had referred, was not the prime minister, but one of his colleagues.

## GO AHEAD.

I want to tell you something funny that happened to me this morning, said Spats cheerily. All right, replied Hunker—Go ahead. I started down street after my laundry, and— You mean you went after your washing, I suppose, Hunker interrupted. I imagine you do not really own a laundry. Of course that's what I mean, said Spats; a trifle less cheerily. Well, I had went— Hunker interrupted him again. Perhaps you mean had gone. Certainly, I had gone but a little ways when— I presume you mean a little way; not a little ways, corrected Hunker. I presume so, admitted Spats, but the cheerfulness was all gone out of his manner. As I was going to say, I had gone but a little way when it happened. It tickled me so I thought I'd just have to lay down and die. Lie down and die, not lay down is the correct form of the verb. Oh, yes, I know; but those kind of errors seem to come natural. Not those kind of errors, my dear boy. Say that kind of errors. But go on with your funny story, I'm getting interested. Are you? Well, I've lost my interest in it. I don't believe there is anything funny in it, after all. Good-day. Now, I wonder if I've offended him! Hunker thought, as Spats strode off. Harper's Bazaar.

## THE IMPOSSIBLE.

Wait, oh, wait till coal is cheap. Wait till love is true. Till promises are made to keep. And notes are paid when due. Wait till the sun grows hotter cold. Wait till your ship comes in. Wait till unweaned maids grow old. And virtue conquers sin; Wait till life is a happy dream. And men the dearest never. Wait till things are what they seem— Wait—and you'll wait forever. —Chicago News-Record.

## INQUEST.

An inquest was held at the Central Hotel on Thursday last, to inquire into the case of the death of Walter Gordon, who was found dead in bed on Wednesday morning.

The following jury was sworn in—J. E. Roy (foreman), G. T. Rogers, W. M. Coshing, T. Briggs, R. M. Coombs, C. F. Travis, W. J. Dixon, G. Arkell, G. H. Fraser, W. McLeod, J. Harry, Rufus Travis, Dr. Holston, coroner. After viewing the body of the deceased, and visiting the house where deceased had lived, Dr. Holston stated the case as it had come through his notice, and then proceeded to examine the witnesses. Mary Gibbs Gordon, sworn, said: I live at Elkhorn; am a laundress, worked for Mrs. Jones on Monday last, went to work at eight o'clock in the morning, felt very weak, had some pudding on the Sunday before—George (son) brought it from the Cavanagh Hotel—I and the two children, (George and deceased), ate the pudding cold, there was about a soup plate full. Also had some bread and sweet milk. Felt all right in the afternoon—George and deceased were ill in the evening—Did not feel cold till Tuesday—Children were weak on Monday morning. Went to Central Hotel to work on Monday morning—left deceased in bed. Sent George for him later on, worked all day, but felt ill and vomited. Deceased was the brightest of the three. George was very sick, went home before dark, lighted the fire in stove but it would not burn—the stove smoked. Nelly Stark brought deceased home at about nine o'clock. Deceased looked bright, put him to bed with clothes on—I think he slept all night. I went to bed with him and George. Put enough coal in stove to last all night. Woke up on Wednesday morning and thought it was Tuesday—could not get up at first as my limbs were stiff—Felt all right; I woke first, and George got up. I saw that Walter was dead and told George to go and tell Mrs. Jones. There was a little blood on both sides of deceased's nose. Had taken tea and bread on Monday but could not keep them down, also a glass of spirits and water—vomited it up. In reply to the foreman. The fire on Monday evening did not burn up but only smouldered. There was no smoke when I awoke. George Gordon, sworn, said:—I am twenty years old; I went to Cavanagh's on Sunday for milk, and Mrs. Martin gave me a pan of milk and plain pudding—gudding was cold. I ate about a saucer full, a little time after I vomited. I had no idea I went to Mrs. Jones, (Central Hotel) on Monday, had breakfast there, woke up on Wednesday and thought it was Tuesday. Mother told me to go to Mrs. Jones and say that Walter was dead. Susan Jones and Nelly Stark corroborated the evidence of the two last witnesses. The jury then brought in a verdict of "asphyxiated by coal gas." The body was removed to Oak Lake, where it will be buried according to the rites of the Roman Catholic Church, of which the deceased was a member.

The exports from Canada during the six months ended December last, 1892, amounted to \$71,553,707, compared with \$71,738,910 during the corresponding period of last year, an increase of \$2,518,938. The imports during the same period amounted to an increase of \$306,825 over the imports of the corresponding months of 1891. In the duty collected there was an increase from \$10,229,101 to \$10,324,033, a growth of revenue amounting to \$94,932.

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They are the abstract and brief character of the case. Market Act, Case 2.

Mr. L. M. Sullivan is visiting friends in the city.

Denny Caravan arrived here from Winnipeg on Monday last.

The St. Mark's L. M. meet at Mrs. Van Nistrup's.

Mr. C. P. Travis won the Club medal, having beaten the greatest curling competition in the city.

Mr. J. M. Slinger, of K. M., passed his examination in law a few days ago. He has been attending the collegiate examinations at Winnipeg.

On the 10th of the month, a fire broke out in St. John's, Winnipeg, the cause has been closed for some time, and the students have been dismissed.

Yesterday being Ash Wednesday, a service was held in St. Mark's Church at 7 p.m. when the Rev. H. G. Stevenson delivered the sermon.

The first party of emigrants leaves Toronto on the 24th inst. There will be three car loads. A large number follow about two weeks later.

Mr. Trotter of Lippert, took his three children east on Wednesday. He will leave them with friends, and himself return to his home in this country.

Two Chinamen were found dead in their beds in Victoria one day last week. They died from the effects of the severe cold, which has prevailed for some days. Free Press.

The received tickets for the Kells-Allyn entertainment to be held on Monday evening, are being purchased rapidly. Those wishing to take in this treat had better secure their places at once.

Mr. A. E. Applewall, writing from the Brandon Hospital, gives a fairly favorable report of himself. He is progressing steadily, and hopes to be amongst his Ekhorn friends before long.

A "free" photograph concert was given at the Cavanagh Hotel on Tuesday last. That is to say every one who cared to go and spend 25 cents was "free" to go and listen to a few songs, through a phonograph.

An interesting and instructive paper on "Annuity in wheat" was read by Mr. Wm. Hall at South Brandon lately, and has been remarked upon by the "North West Farmer." Mr. Hall brings for his own entirely new theories regarding this pest.

Valentines seem to be "out of it" this year. We have seen none in the town, and the Winnipeg Free Press says that there were not enough sent through the city post office to make any appreciable difference in the average volume of daily mail.

Piccolo, the Manitoba running horse, returned from the American race course on Friday, and was sent to Bluff at the beginning of this week. The horse was raised by P. D. Rowe, Brandon, and his present owners refused the sum of \$5,000 for him in Chicago.

We understand that the industrial department of the Indian Homes here, purpose sending exhibits to the Chicago fair, from each of the trades taught the children. Hon. Hayter Reid is interesting himself in the work, and is anxious that the Ekhorn Homes should be well represented.

A social under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church, will be given at the residence of Mrs. Bailey on Friday evening the 24th. Tea will be served at six o'clock (Garden and other amusements will be provided. All are cordially invited.

The Feb. No. of the "Canadian Forester" the official organ of the C. O. F. is at hand. We are pleased to see that this number is progressing so favorably, and that a goodly sum of \$22,821.00 is on hand for the benefit of those dependent on the members for support. \$50,000.00 of this sum is invested in Dominion of Canada stock, and the balance in first class securities.

It will be interesting to note that the total amount of snow fallen since November last, 1893, till the present time, is 64 inches—as against 22 inches during the same period last winter. Taking as a basis that 10 in. of snow equals 1 in. of water, we have 6 1/2 inches of water on the level, while last winter we had only 2 1/4 inches, even if no more snow comes.

We were told the other day of a gentleman, who during the recent cold snap, wishing to convey a gentle hint to his landlady that his room was not as warm as it might be, was discovered on the table standing by his hand. Upon being questioned as to the reason for this inverted posture, he explained that he always heard that heat, ascended, and he wished to keep his feet warm.

After the Presbyterian service on Sunday last, the Rev. J. Penman stated to the congregation that he had received a handsome present of a communion set from Mr. J. Hodgson of Montreal, and it was his wish to hand the same over to the authorities of the 1st Presbyterian church in this town. A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. O. Rogers and accepted by Mr. J. Broadley, and a letter expressing the gratitude of the congregation will be forwarded to Mr. Hodgson.

We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Bagg and family who live in a small house on the south side of the C. P. R. track, had a narrow escape from asphyxiation on Monday. About half past four of the morning Mr. Bagg got up and put some coal on the fire, and then returned to his bed. Some time after a sense of suffocation was felt, and it was found that the gas was rapidly filling the room. Happily beyond a certain amount of sickness, no serious harm resulted.

Last Friday morning as the express train went east, was pulling into the station here, the engineer suddenly discovered that the switch was open. He immediately reversed his engine, but too late to prevent it, and the baggage car, having the rails and crashing into the coal shed. The cab of the engine was dented in, which was about all the damage done to the train. A message was at once sent to Brandon for a special train, which arrived about 11 a.m. The baggage car was pulled back on the rails without any difficulty, but it was nearly 2 p.m. before they succeeded in getting the monstrous black giant safely on the track again, when the express proceeded on its way, leaving the coal shed in a very collapsed state.

Mr. W. F. Longman, of Lippert, has on account of ill health, decided to offer for sale his fine farm, containing 2 1/2 acres, situated at Lippert, in the County of Derby, Man., 200 acres under cultivation. It is one of the best wheat farms in the Province, from wheat unknown. The wheat that took first prize and also second, at the Provincial exhibition was grown in this tract. Tenderers are asked for it, and all farm stock, implement and machinery, etc., in connection therewith, also some seed wheat and oats, hay, potatoes, etc. There is not a cent of incumbrance on anything. Offers will be received by the proprietor of the place and every thing in connection with it until sold. Must be sold at once. Offers less than \$1,000 not considered. Call and inspect, or write W. F. Longman, Lippert, P. O., Man.—Adv't.

A leather medal with the following inscription engraved on it, was presented to George Broadley on Saturday:

Medal was given to George Broadley on Saturday.

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callous them names and wondered if I could be a Christian and feel so. And then I remembered a verse, and I know it is not an unchristian feeling when I think of Matt. XXIII, which shows the sentiments of Christ in presence of men guilty of the same crime—the crime of perverting men from entering Heaven. For no drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God, 1 Cor. VI v. 10 certainly no drunkard makers. Will "True Temperance" and "Charity" refresh their knowledge of Holy Writ on the above chapter, Matt. XXIII, as to whether Christ did not judge. "Not! not! Christ came to save, not to condemn." "But was unto youcribes, pharisees, hypocrites, for ye shut up the kingdom of Heaven against men, for ye neither go in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in." Verse 12. "For ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made ye make him ten fold more the child of hell than yourselves." Verse 15. "Ye serpents, ye adders, ye sons of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?" V. 33. "This work is not a pleasure, but a painful duty I have to perform."

"If thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity, but his blood will I require at thy hand. But if thou warn him, thou shalt deliver thy soul." Ezek. 33, 8 & 9.

Enemies of our R. T. of T. who write and circulate perverted quotations under the name of "The Advocate," and who think they can do any harm. Men who are too much ashamed of the cause they advocate to give their names, have no influence and are not worthy of notice.

T. M. TALBOT.

R. T. OF T. ENTERTAINMENT.

To the Editor of the Advocate:

DEAR SIR,—Will you give me space to show how "Charity's" view of Holy Writ betrays him to the public. Take his quotation from Prov. 23, v. 3, "A whip for a horse, a bridle for an ass, and a rod for a fool's back." The much abused horses may be seen on our streets any day. The Rev. Mr. Talbot is evidently the one "Charity" refers to as the fool, but who is the ass? The only persons he refers to in his article are himself and Mr. Talbot, so if Mr. Talbot is the fool, "Charity" must be the first assed party. And this is not the first time he spoke. Numbers, 22, v. 28, "As the ass spoke to Balaam. Again his quotations, John 7, 21, "Judge not according to appearance." Matt. VII, v. 1, "Judge that ye be not judged." Both these reveal his identity, as only a long career member of the Balaam outfit would forbid judgment and in the same article pass sentence himself. His quotation, 1 Pet. IV, v. 8, he tells us, "For charity shall cover a multitude of sins," and at the end calls himself Charity. We have no doubt of his multitude of sins, most of Balaam's fraternity are ditto. But his prayer in his quotation from James, V, 20, is most pathetic. In the conclusion with the slinger from the error of his way, shall save a soul from death and hide a multitude of sins." One of those sins is the perversion of scripture. No doubt if you go to Mr. Talbot he will do what he can for you. But beware of his leading you personally, for if you wander too near the C. P. R. cattle sheds you may lose your freedom, and there is money in it for any one that will take you to the World's Fair as the only living repository of the comprehensive history of "Balaam." And this will be a great puff for the productiveness of Manitoba soil. I am beginning to think; Mr. Elliot, our town is becoming quite metropolitan. What with shot gun robberies, Mongol ran amuck, Methodist minister ditto, French and Judy and Balaam's ancient friend, we need fear no more blizzards as spring migration is evidently upon us.

KIRK.

AN ODE TO THE CURLERS OF ELK HORN.

A. Stands for Arkell, who often does think he should have been hired for flooring the rink.

And John Angus, you know, has really no rival.

But they should have admitted him free to the carnival.

B. Stands for Broadley, the one they call George.

Jim Hoy says his curling is really a scourge.

The next is Joe Broadley, a dealer in Sometimes he curls bad, and sometimes he plays good.

C. Stands for Cushing, the man of renown.

He's a J. P., and N. P., and Mayor of the town.

John Carwin's name too, begins with a C.

And when curling, he puts his stones on the Tee.

D. Stands for Donaldson, whom all of you know.

Is a beautiful curler, but he makes too much row.

Jim Douglas, the merchant, he's a great boy to curl.

And when he is not playing, he skates with his girl.

There's Dion the barber and billiard room man.

He curls quite a bit, but he trades when he can.

E. Stands for Tom Evans, who never could lie.

And that his own skip, he never would try.

F. Stands for Francis, and most people think he's the best skip, to be found on the rink.

But since curling last Tuesday, which he came as a skip, has vanished away.

G. Stands for Gillyer, he shoots a straight shot.

He beat Cushing bad, and made him look hot.

And Fred Greenstreet too, he skates up and down.

But when it comes to curling, he stays in the town.

H. Stands for Hoy, who is skip of his team.

He can curl good, you bet, when he gets up the steam.

J. Stands for Ben Johnson, a man of great spirit. He mostly plays good, but sometimes he gets rattled.

K. Stands for Kavanagh, the boys call him Murphy.

He thinks he can curl, but he won't get the trophy.

L. Stands for labor, and to have a good game.

You must labor to sweep, or lose a good game.

M. Stands for Middleton and Mowat well known.

The worst pair of kickers we have in the town.

Bob Mowat is always up to his prank. But Middleton is noted as being a crank.

And Mr. Mayhall to the curlers belongs. He is also a singer, and sings some good songs.

Our next is Will Miller, a quiet young man.

And when curling, he plays as good as he can.

N. Stands for nobody, and nobody really would object to a trophy from Hon. Tom Daly.

A pair of good curling stones, most people think would suit all the boys who play on the rink.

O. Stands for oysters, and nicely served up.

Should be given by the winner of Frame's silver cup.

P. Stands for Penman, of whom we are all proud.

Is no greenhorn at curling, he curled when a lad.

Before I pass on, I must not forget Parker.

He throws a good stone, and he's a good, fancy skater.

Q. Stands for quarry, and people will think. Who wrote all this rubbish about our rink.

S. Stands for Stewart, who to curling is wed.

He plays rattle dale, but it does not suit Fred.

We must give Billy Sinden a bit of a puff.

Whatever you think, he thinks he's the stuff.

In Stevenson's rink, he plays second stone.

He plays rather wild, but we will let him alone.

T. Stands for Travis, he holds a good position.

And won the silver medal in the 2nd competition.

U. Stands for unity, and unitedly we stand.

We allow the skaters on the rink, and take them by the hand.

V. Stands for village, where the Interns play.

We call on Ekiborn, where gladly we stay.

W. Stands for Wilson, a man of high renown.

He has a Punch and Judy show, and lives in Ekiborn town.

George Webster plays so very good and looks so very nice.

But Simple Simon took the cake when skating on the ice.

X. Y. and Z. These stanzas are dead, Take no offence at the things I have said.

BEULAH BITS.

Received too late for last week.

Well I suppose there is just one subject that has been amusing all the last few days, namely, the weather. What have we all done to deserve such condign punishment, but then—as the immigration pamphlets say one never feels the cold in Manitoba it is so dry (I suppose if prohibition became law it will be dry as still, well barring a few frozen noses and cheeks we have heard of no casualties as yet among the human members of our community, but several head of cattle have succumbed to the fury of the elements plus want of food and feed, and there will be more to follow if the thermometer does not soon take a spurt upwards. It has been ranging from 30° to 40° below zero the last week, but we would not mind that were it not for the gentle zephyrs accompanying it.

Did any of your readers see and admire the lunar corona the other night? It was a grand sight, we took an occasional glance at it, and finally decided it was best to leave it alone to its Zoro glory.

Mrs. Jarley's wax works at Arfow River were quite a success, although some of the deities presented showed rather more signs of humanity than was perhaps desired. The concert afterwards was not quite as good as it should have been, either from the want or the super abundance of management, which, we failed to find out.

The wax works concert at Beulah is postponed till the 28th, on account of the inclemency of the weather and the absence of trails.

Our mails have been delayed a day on both occasions, this last week, it being found impossible to get through on time.

I suppose you have your own troubles at Ekiborn, but I will not burden you with any more of ours for this week.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

For week ending February 8th, 1893.

DAY. MAX. MIN. SNOW.

Thursday. 00. —20.

Friday. 05. —25.

Saturday. 04. —22.

Sunday. 01. —21. 2ir.

Monday. 02. —06.

Tuesday. 00. —20. 1in.

Wednesday. 07. —10.

Highest reading, Feb. 15th, 07.

Lowest reading, Feb. 10th, —25.

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